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TO: TO ALL-EXTENSION POULTRY SPECIALISTS

From:

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Subject:

Information Update

I want to thank all those who have sent me their suggestions for the newsletter. The personnel directory is in the process of being summarized.

WANTED:

Position Announcements. Job openings never seem to get to all of us in time to respond. If you will send a copy of your Department's current position announcement, we will put it in the newsletter.

HELP:

Specific guidelines for processing or disposal of commercial egg processing plant waste water and/or solids are needed to better answer a producer's question. Please send this information to me.

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SUGGESTION:

Encourage Extension support personnel (Ag Engineering, Food Science, Marketing, etc.) to attend meetings such as Southeastern, Regional Extension Poultry Specialists Workshops, or other poultry meetings. We can expand our

effectiveness if we encourage cooperation with personnel in these other disciplines. By their attendance at these meetings and contacts made there, they may develop more interest in solving

poultry problems.

RABBITS

There will be a Rabbit Conference on June 14-15, 1985, at the Pennsylvania State University. For more information, contact:

Short Course Office 306 Ag Administration Building University Park, PA 16802. EXTENSION SERVICE/USDA ACENT_INTERN POSITION

A memo has been sent by Dr. Mary Nell Greenwood to all State Extension Directors regarding work with the three Agent's Associations to establish a 6-month ES/USDA Agent Intern IPA (Intergovernmental Personnel Act) position. This will be a pilot effort from January 1 - June 30, 1986. Only County Extension Agents or area specialists are eligible for the program at this time. Specialists located at the university are NOT eligible. If you are interested in this becoming available to all poultry specialists, contact your Agent Association. For additional information, contact:

Hollis D. Hall, Program Leader Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs USDA-Extension Service Room 330-A -- Administration Building 14th & Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20250 PHONE: 202/447-4465

NPIP AMENDED, FINAL RULE The National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) and its auxillary provisions have been amended by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) as follows:

- 1) Amended the definition of Salmonella to include the Arizona group.
- 2) Added the microhemagglutination inhibition test and the enzyme-labeled immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test as supplemental tests for M. gallisepticeum (M.g.) and M. synoviae (M.s.) for chicken breeding flocks and turkey breeding flocks, and as a supplemental test for M. meleagridis (M.m.) for turkey breeding flocks. References for these techniques were provided.
- 3) Established criteria for allowing egg yolk testing for monitoring testing for M.g. and M.s. in multiplier chicken breeding flocks.
- 4) Established criteria for classifying States as "U.S.M. Gallisepticeum Clean State, Meat-Type Chickens." This only refers to meat-type chicken breeding flocks, not other flocks of this type, such as exhibition poultry.

- 5) Established criteria for classifying turkey breeding flocks as "U.S.M. Synoviae Clean."
- 6) Provided conditions whereby primary breeding flocks of waterfowl and of exhibition poultry located in U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean States may be qualified as "U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean."
- 7) Established procedures for filling vacancies of certain positions on the General Conference Committee.

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Updated editions of the NPIP Director for Participants Handling Commercial Poultry (APHIS #91-41); for those Handling Waterfowl, Exhibition Poultry, and Game Birds (APHIS #91-42); and the Tables on Hatching and Flock Participation for the 1982-1983 Test Years and for the 1983-1984 Test Years (APHIS #91-43) are available now. The updated NPIP and Auxillary Provisions will be available July 1. You may obtain copies of this material by writing:

NPIP USDA-APHIS, Veterinary Services Federal Center Building Hyattsville, MD 20782.

As of July 1, 1984, Tom Danko (New Hampshire) has assumed the role of Poultry Specialist for Vermont; therefore, he is a New Hampshire-Vermont Poultry Specialist. His address will continue as follows:

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